

MENTALLY WEAK TO HAVE GOOD SCHOOL

Menace to Normal Children Is to Be Removed From Public Schools.

UNIVERSITY WILL HELP

PHYSICAL AS WELL AS MENTAL AILMENTS TO BE CORRECTED.

Experts of the University of Utah will co-operate with officials of the Salt Lake public school system in the establishment of several classes in the city for the psychological study of the mentally deficient boy and girl who now prove a hindrance and in some cases an actual menace to the normal children in the classrooms in the grade schools.

Superintendent D. H. Christensen of the city schools has been busy for several weeks collecting data from the principals of the schools upon which to work as soon as the system is authorized by the board of education. He has found about fifty children in the Salt Lake schools who are to be classed as "deficient" and who will be taken from among the other children and given individual and expert attention.

Members of the board of education have eagerly accepted this new scheme for the education of the unfortunate children, for whom no provision has been made by the state, and the matter will likely be brought to a head in the near future, with the grading of the children in one or more classes in the city as a stepping stone to one of the most important branches of work taken up by the board of education in recent years.

In the annual report of Superintendent Christensen, which is soon to be printed, is the following reference to this feature of the public school work:

Menace Shown in Report.

"But there is still another group, a small one, to be sure, one in which the members are deficient mentally, some few bordering on idiocy. Unfortunately, our state has not yet made provision for them. They do not belong in the mental hospital as it is to prevent organized under the law, and justice forbids that they be permanently excluded from the benefits of the public school system. Such times at least as the state provides for their care and training. However, most of these children have no place in the regular class room. All are a direct hindrance to the progress of the other children and a few are a menace to the welfare of the other pupils. For their own sake and for the sake of their associates they should be segregated from the other children and placed together in small groups in an environment especially suited to their own needs. Their number in this city at present is sufficient to justify the organization of two rooms for the weak-minded, and I trust that it may be possible to take such action during the next school year.

"A room in the old Twelfth ward, which has been practically abandoned, would suit the purpose well for the east side, and some other conveniently located room might be organized on the west side. In an emergency, a room in one of the other schools might be used, although there are manifest objections to this plan. The course of instruction for such children should be quite narrow in its scope, and it should aim largely to give motor and sensory training.

"The chief equipment would be for manual training. A special advantage of the plan suggested would be the opportunity afforded for careful, individual study and observation of these unfortunate. It is likely that the constant presence of these children to remedial mental or physical defects. With some aid from the department of psychology and the department of medicine of our state university, such cases might be effectively reached."

Teachers Are Not Responsible.

"It is an unfortunate circumstance that there is no provision made for these children," says Superintendent Christensen. "We have a number of cases in Salt Lake which have been investigated all which need attention. Under the present system it is absolutely impossible for the children to get the proper care from the teachers in the room. The teachers have their hands full with the normally constituted children.

"Experiments in other places have shown that the mental inefficiency of the pupil is generally attributable to physical causes. If that is the case, experts who give the matter careful study will be able to attend to the physical faults and thus restore the mentality. The first started into the work, but I feel confident that the board of education will at once take steps to put this important matter to the front in the schools of Salt Lake."

Superintendent Christensen has been instructed by the board of education to compile more figures for their guidance in the establishment of a system which will mean much to the children who fall under this class.

The matter has been taken up with Professor J. T. Kingsbury and others of the University of Utah, and the assurance to members of the board of education that the university will do everything in its power to aid the public schools in this work.

EARLY CLOSING FAVORED

Large Stores Open Three Evenings to Accommodate Tardy Shoppers.

Department stores will begin Wednesday of this week to remain open evenings until Christmas. It is a departure from habit to keep open late only three nights before Christmas, but the merchants claim the view that the shopping has been pretty well cleared away up to date, and there will be no necessity for remaining open all the week. However, some of the smaller stores will keep the front doors open beginning tomorrow evening and remaining open until Christmas eve.

The Women's league, representatives of which called on the merchants during the week to obtain concessions for the clerks in the way of about six months or a year, will start after the holidays on a crusade that will be aimed directly at the holidays of next year, as well as open stores Saturday nights.

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A SALT LAKE BOOSTER

Ferd Strouse, president of the Greenwald Furniture company, is an active booster for a greater Salt Lake. Seven years ago Mr. Strouse, on arriving in Salt Lake from Baltimore, joined the "Optimist club," and ever since has preached the gospel of optimism, and says there is no room in Salt Lake for the pessimist.

"Salt Lake looks better to me at the present time than it has ever done before during my seven years of residence here," said Mr. Strouse yesterday. "The improvements which have been completed in the last two years, and the improvements which are contemplated, are something wonderful. This city is just experiencing the beginning of an era of unprecedented prosperity and business activity. The coming year should be a banner year in all lines of trade."

"As an evidence of the great business activity at the present time, I may cite the fact that we have contracts for the furnishing of three large apartment houses, which will not be completed for perhaps sixty days. The owners are rushing building operations, and as soon as the contractors have completed the buildings we will be ready to go ahead with the furnishing. In a number of cases we have procured contracts some time before the first shovelful of earth has been taken out for the excavation."

"Strangers today, but residents tomorrow, is the case with many people who are coming into the city at the present time. Every day people come into our stores seeking information about rooming houses and cottages to rent. We are not in the real estate or rental business, but they think because we are in the house furnishing business that we should know something about rental conditions. These people have come here to make their home, and it is surprising how many there are of these inquirers."

"People who have not been out of the



FERD STROUSE.

city to any extent do not appreciate the wonderful strides which Salt Lake has been making in the last decade. I met a man the other day who had not been here for ten years. He said that he was simply amazed at the evidences of business and building activity on all sides. Salt Lake, ten years ago, impressed him as being a second rate city, but now it had taken on the air of a metropolis. He did not think it was possible that such changes could take place in any city in that time."

CONDEMNED TO DIE MAY YET GO FREE

Man Who Has Served Seven Years for Murder May Be Innocent.

FRIENDS FIGHTING CASE

PARDONS BOARD PARCELS OUT BUNCH OF HOLIDAY TICKETS.

Nathan Haworth, who seven years ago was sentenced to be executed for the murder of a neighbor named Sandall in Layton, Davis county, and whose sentence was later commuted to life, may go free when the next meeting of the board of pardons takes place, January 29.

It is the claim of Attorney A. J. Webber, who represents Haworth, that he has secured absolute evidence that the murder was committed by Sandall, and that he was more than fifteen miles from the scene of the murder when Sandall was struck down. He claims that the people of Layton have suddenly come to the realization that it would have been impossible for Haworth to have killed Sandall, and that they are now almost unanimous in the opinion that he is innocent.

The case of Haworth called for a lengthy discussion at the meeting of the board of pardons in the state prison yesterday. Attorney Webber entered forms of alibi and statements regarding the case, which at once caused members of the board to give it their special attention. The meeting of the board January 29 was set for arguments in the case and examination of the original evidence, and the latest developments, which point to the innocence of Haworth after he has served seven long years in confinement.

Several Are Pardoned.

Those whom the board saw fit to pardon at its meeting yesterday, and who will probably be released from the state prison before Christmas, are as follows:

John F. Newton, sentenced to one year in the state prison February 23, 1909, for forgery.

Robert Lanier, sentenced to seven years in the state prison December 9, 1905, for burglary.

T. Yamana, sentenced to three years in the state prison July 6, 1908, for robbery.

The sentence of Abraham Feinberg, who was convicted July 7, 1909, for grand larceny, was commuted from one year to five years.

Denials were made in the request of pardons for the following: Charles C. Ross, burglary; William Morgan, grand larceny; Edward Syphus, assault with deadly weapon; Ed. Barrett, burglary; Nick Witkam, assault with deadly weapon; Samuel E. Doman, rape; Edward O. Sorenson, assault with intent to commit murder, and Robert M. Smith, obtaining money under false pretenses.

The case of Alex. Warkass, who was convicted to serve six months in the county jail October 15, 1909, was continued for one month.

FRANCHISES CONSIDERED

Council Proposes to Allow Freight Hauling Through Brigham Street.

The franchise for the Salt Lake & Los Angeles Railroad company to run electric cars through the streets of Salt Lake, and the resolution for the Utah Light & Railway company to haul freight to Fort Douglas, will come before a joint meeting of the council committee on streets and municipal laws Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The special committee, composed of W. Mont Perry, L. E. Hall and L. D. Martin, will have received and passed upon the Utah Light & Railway resolution by that time, and an effort will be made to have both matters ready for the council Monday night.

It is believed that the resolution for the street railway company will be passed, to give the freight hauling a try-out for about six months or a year, and that it will also pass the council, against the will of many property owners along Brigham street. Mayor John S. Bransford has expressed himself against it.

In regard to the Saltair company, it is believed hardly probable that the committee will be ready to make a report to the council for Monday night.

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SECOND STAGE OF THE HUNT IN EAST AFRICA

Today the Roosevelt Party Will Start on the Long Journey to Uganda.

Nairobi, British East Africa, Dec. 18.—Today the American hunting and scientific expedition began what may be termed the second stage of its journey into the interior of Africa. The objective point is Gondokoro, Uganda, which, it is expected, will be reached on February 17.

Colonel Roosevelt and his associates were given a cordial sendoff as they boarded the train at noon for Kisumu. Arriving at that point tomorrow, the party will board the steamer Clement Hill, and cross Victoria Nyanza to Entebbe.

With the passage of the lake, the Americans will have left behind British East Africa and entered Uganda, the protectorate, the widest and most beautiful, perhaps the most dangerous and certainly the most interesting, field of their explorations.

All were in the best of health when they set forth today in search of new conquests. At Entebbe Colonel Roosevelt and Kernit will be entertained at the home of the governor, proceeding on Tuesday by motor car to Kampala, at the head of the lake, where they will join the others of the party who, by the meantime, will have arrived at that place by steamer.

At Kampala the hunt will be organized and on December 23 the invasion that will bring them into the province of the Nile will begin.

JUDGE PARKER'S TRIBUTE

Eulogy of the Late Justice Rufus W. Peckham and the Supreme Court of United States.

Washington, Dec. 18.—With Judge Alton B. Parker of New York presiding, and delivering the principal address of eulogy, the members of the bar of the supreme court of the United States met in the supreme court rooms today and adopted resolutions on the death of Rufus W. Peckham, associate justice.

Judge Parker paid a high tribute to Justice Peckham, and incidentally spoke of the highest court of the nation in terms of praise.

"He loved justice with all his heart," said Judge Parker, "and his highest, indeed, his only ambition was to devote his life to its administration. Therefore, he welcomed the opportunity which his modesty and dignity prevented him from seeking, of service to all the people of the United States in their court of last resort."

"And so in a process of evolution as orderly as almost said as any of the processes of nature—Rufus W. Peckham came to be a composite of the tribunal which occupies this modest court room. And what a tribunal!

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HALF MILLION FOR CITY'S CHRISTMAS

Gift-Laden Trees Would Fill Two City Blocks and Have 30,000 Candles.

\$75,000 GOES INTO TOYS

WHILE THE CANDY WOULD PULL TRAIN ACROSS CONTINENT.

If all of the Christmas trees which will adorn the houses of Salt Lake on Christmas eve to gladden the hearts of the many thousands of children were planted in one great tract of land at a regular distance of three feet apart they would fill a space as large as two of Salt Lake's downtown business blocks.

If each of these trees were lighted with twelve candles, there would be a total of 36,000 candles burning at one time. If the light from all of these candles could be focused to one point and turned loose into a tube at the mouth of which there was a lens such as is used on the ordinary battleship searchlight, every cottage, barn and hen house in the little village of Centerville, twelve miles north of the city, would be lighted as bright as if the noonday sun was shining down upon them.

If such a thing could be conceived of as the 2,500 lighted trees standing in one grove, what a spectacle it would be for the Christmas hungry eyes of the children of plenty, as well as of the ragamuffins, whose only view of Christmas is the lighted windows, bright toys and arm-ladder parents whom they see elbowing their way through throngs of shoppers in order that Santa Claus will be sure to make his usual visit to the awaiting stockings.

If the candy, which, according to the manufacturers, will be consumed in Salt Lake during the holidays, was figured at fifty pieces to the pound, with each piece one inch long, and if this was stretched in one straight line, one end would be in Chicago and the other end in San Francisco. Figuring the candy as containing only 5 per cent of carbon, which is about the same average as coal, and loading it into the coal tender of an average locomotive pulling a train of six cars, the candy would furnish enough heat to produce the steam to pull the train from San Francisco to New York and back to Chicago again.

Six Blocks of Nut Trees.

Now, if the nuts which will be eaten by the people of Salt Lake during the holidays, figuring 100 nuts to the pound, were gathered from one grove of trees, each tree of which produced an average of 1,000 nuts, they would fill a tract of land as large as six of Salt Lake's downtown business blocks.

If the nuts were placed in one big heap, and if the United States regular army was marched single file by the pile at a rate of ten men per minute, it would take four-and-a-half days of twenty-four hours each for the pile to be exhausted, and each man would receive eleven and one-quarter nuts.

These are only the things which will be the staples of the Christmas feasting the hearts of the many people of the city during the holidays. Taking into consideration the amount of money which is being spent for toys alone, each person in Utah would get a toy valued at 25 cents, and still have some presents left over for the children of Nevada.

All of this is being done as a beginner to help keep alive the Santa Claus fable and make happy the hearts of some of the little folk in Salt Lake.

To secure these statistics, a Herald-Republican reporter visited the leading toy dealers, candy and nut dealers and dealers in Christmas trees Saturday afternoon. From the Christmas tree merchants it was learned that in order to get Christmas trees and season it was in most cases necessary to dig through three feet of snow. This was caused by the early fall of snow in the hills, and has cut down the supply of trees over one-half. In spite of this, however, there will be 2,500 trees with an average value of \$2.50, used by the Salt Lake people on Christmas.

Four leading wholesale candy merchants visited by the reporter during the present holiday season there would be consumed in Salt Lake and vicinity 600,000 pounds of candy. This would have a total value of \$375,750.

From the nut merchants it was found that during the holidays they would sell 70,000 pounds of nuts, representing a total value of \$21,000.

From the leading toy merchants in the city it was found that during the present season the total sale value of the toys would amount to \$75,000. This, the writer believes, is a conservative estimate. Along with this will come the usual gifts of clothing, sleds, wagons, books and many other accessories to the children's happy Christmas.

"And so in a process of greater value, and counting only the toys, trees, candy and nuts which will be used in Salt Lake, the grand total amounts to \$476,750. It is safe to say that Salt Lake will have a prosperous Christmas."

AWARD PRIZES FOR ART

Two Competitors in State Exhibit Draw Straws for Third Place.

Five prizes for the best paintings shown at the eleventh annual exhibit of the Utah Art Institute were awarded yesterday by Governor William Spry before departing for the christening of the battleship Utah. The awards were made through a proclamation on the exhibits which were shown during the institute at Ogden from November 13 to 27. They are as follows:

First prize, \$300, Edwin Evans, who painted "The Grain Sacks"; second prize, \$100, Vincent and Elvira, best design of school building; third prize, J. T. Harwood, \$50, "A Portrait"; fourth prize, \$25, Vincent and Elvira, best black and white work; fifth prize, \$10, Ruth C. Evans, best design of needle work.

Governor Spry had some difficulty in awarding the third prize, the award lying between J. T. Harwood and W. C. Browning. Finally the artists drew straws and Mr. Harwood was the successful one.

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STATE'S RIGHTS ONCE MORE BROUGHT FORTH

Southern Congressmen Object to Commerce Committee's White Slave Bill.

Washington, Dec. 18.—There will be a very vigorous minority report by four Democratic members of the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce on the Mann "white slave" bill, which was favorably acted upon by a majority of that committee today.

The minority report, which will be written by Representative Richardson of Alabama, will assert that the whole matter is one to be handled by the interstate commerce committee, that the interstate commerce committee has no jurisdiction whatever, and that the Mann bill, which aims at the suppression of the traffic by means of regulation of interstate commerce, is unconstitutional and a gross violation of the right of states to regulate the morals of their own inhabitants.

The minority report will be signed by Representatives Richardson of Alabama, Bartlett of Georgia, Adamson of Georgia and Peters of Massachusetts.

"This piece of legislation," said Representative Richardson today, "I characterize as the worst piece of cant and hypocrisy that has lately been perpetrated by the Republican party."

"Because the majority believe that it is related to a subject upon which we have no jurisdiction, and that the interstate commerce committee has no jurisdiction whatever, and that the Mann bill, which aims at the suppression of the traffic by means of regulation of interstate commerce, is unconstitutional and a gross violation of the right of states to regulate the morals of their own inhabitants."

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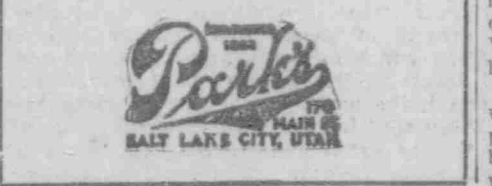
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A CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL

Commercial Club to Present Deed to Home in Memory of Fisher Harris.

Christmas day, with its flow of good cheer and heart sentiments, in which the past is recalled in the present, will have more than the passing significance of the day for the Commercial club. The early morning will witness a tribute to the memory of the one who in recent years brought so much of the Christmas cheer within the walls of the club house.

On Christmas morning the home occupied by the late Fisher S. Harris, at No. 24 South Thirteenth East street, will be presented to the widow and family of the late secretary of the Commercial club as a memorial to his memory.

This action was decided upon yesterday afternoon, and a committee consisting of W. J. Halloran, president of the club, Joseph E. Caine, secretary, and A. W. Carlson, John Dorn and Ira H. Lewis, representing the finance committee, was appointed to procure and deliver to Mrs. Fisher S. Harris the deed to the property.

In casting about for the most appropriate method of expressing the club's appreciation of Mr. Harris, it was decided to provide a home, by this means giving each member of the club an opportunity of participating in the memorial. The sentimental interest, attaching to the home of years led the committee's decision to purchase that rather than to construct a new residence. Although the required sum has not been quite completed, at the meeting of the membership committee yesterday, which was attended by most members of the board of governors, it was decided in order that the home might be given over at Christmas, the club should advance the necessary amount.

The deed to the property will be procured during the coming week, and the home, the club's tribute to Mr. Harris, presented to the family early Christmas morning.

CHRISTY IS DEFEATED AND IS TO COME BACK

The police of this city were informed yesterday that the final attempts to hold E. C. Christy in San Francisco had failed and that Lieutenant R. L. Shannon has been awarded extradition papers for the larceny of diamonds from Lula Jordan, an actress living at the New York hotel.

A writ of habeas corpus on E. C. Christy was served in the court of Judge Cabanias in San Francisco yesterday by attorneys representing friends of Christy. The writ was refused. It had been designed as the last means of preventing Lieutenant Shannon from bringing Christy to Salt Lake for trial.

DOG KEPT WATCH BY THE BODY OF MASTER

Police Sergeant Henry Johnson was yesterday informed that the body of Tom Norton, a character in police circles, having frequently been under arrest for drunkenness, had been discovered frozen on the desert between Vernon, Tooele county, and Skull valley, Thursday afternoon.

The dog that Norton had befriended was at his side and objected to the approach of those who discovered the body. The body was taken to Vernon, where it will be buried.

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